

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5318
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MARKET INTERVENTION SCHEME
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the amount of grant released to various States under the Market Intervention Scheme during the last two years, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government is contemplating to increase the amount of aid upto seventy five per cent to the States of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) if so, the time by when a decision would be taken in this regard; and
- (d) if not, the details of the alternative measures taken to give benefit to the middle and small farmers of these States?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a): The Ministry of Agriculture has released 50% Central Government share of loss to various States (75% in case of North-Eastern States) under the Market Intervention Scheme (MIS) as under:-

Year	Commodity	State	Amount
		(in Rs.lakh)	
2006-07	Ginger	Mizoram	70.36
2006-07	Hatkora	Mizoram	17.91
2007-08	Chilli	Mizoram	72.87
2007-08	Apples	Himachal Pradesh	148.14
2007-08	Passion fruit	Mizoram	129.75
2007-08	Ginger	Mizoram	105.75

(b) & (c): No Such proposal is under consideration of the Government.

(d): Recently the Government of Uttar Pradesh sent a proposal for implementing MIS for potato, which has been sanctioned vide sanction order dated 21.4.2008. No proposal from the State of Bihar has been received for implementation of the MIS. The middle and small farmers of the States of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh are also covered under the existing MIS. Besides, the middle and small farmers of these States are also benefited through various schemes of the Government including Price Support Scheme, National Agriculture Insurance Scheme (NAIS), Macro Management of Agriculture Scheme (MMA).